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CAULFEILD, A. E.

Sept 28/83

10, SOUTH STREET,

PARK LANE, W.

My dear Madam

Might I remind you of your
 very kind promise to give me
 a visit When it is convenient
 for you to come into London
 for an afternoon?

Would you be so good as
 to fix any afternoon after
 Thursday that would suit you

MISS CAULFEILD

Miss Anne Ellen Caulfeild, who died in London on Saturday in her 93rd year, was a pioneer in the nursing profession.

Daughter of the Hon. James Caulfeild, of the Ceylon Civil Service (of Charlemont lineage), she was brought up by her uncle, the Bishop of Nassau. In 1862 her home was broken up by an outbreak of yellow fever, to which her uncle and three of her sisters fell victims. She then came to England and, in spite of strong protests from her family, decided to take up nursing. After training at King's College Hospital, she worked at Netley, under Mrs. Deeble. In 1877 she was appointed Lady Superintendent of Nurses at the Herbert Military Hospital, Woolwich. In 1881 at only a few days' notice Miss Caulfeild was sent with her staff to South Africa, where she worked during the Boer war in the base hospital at Fort Amiel, Newcastle. This was the first time a staff of trained women nurses under the War Office had been ordered to the front.

In 1882, when British troops were sent out to suppress the rebellion in Egypt, she and her staff were quartered in the Khedive's Palace, Ismailia, which had to serve as an emergency hospital, and where the conditions were incredibly bad. She returned home later with the wounded, her ship being the only one from which "no complaints" were received on arrival. Miss Caulfeild received the Egyptian Medal and the bronze star of the Khedive, and was decorated with the Royal Red Cross by Queen Victoria at Windsor.



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My dear Miss Caulfield
I shall be so glad to see you
again. Talk over Herbert
Hospital matters with you.
The sincerest


The first vacant time I have is Wednesday 21st at 5. Will that come into your category of "early next week"? If it is inconvenient to you, pray

tell me, & I will try to make
an earlier day.
I am so sorry to be so pressed
just now -

Good speed to you always

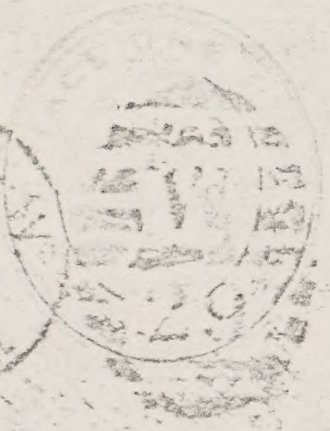
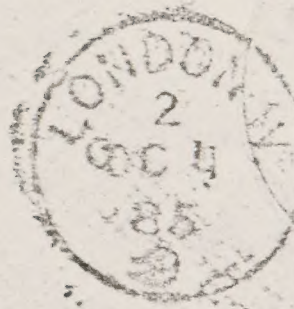
Most sincerely yours

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